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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 09/236,339) : Group Art Unit: 2872
Filed: January 25, 1999) :
For: OPTICAL-ELEMENT HOLDING)
MECHANISM, IMAGE-SHAKE)
CORRECTING DEVICE AND)
OPTICAL APPARATUS : June 14, 1999
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

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6-289465

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Japan

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Japanese Patent Document No. Hei 9-43661 is identified at page 8 of the present application, and is believed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. An English translation of the JP '661 reference is not readily available to Applicants' attorney, but may be provided if required by the Examiner. An English-language abstract for the JP '661 reference obtained from a commercial database also is attached as an English-language statement of relevance for the Examiner's consideration.

Japanese Patent Document No. 6-289465 is cited at page 8 of the present application, and is believed pertinent for the reasons set forth therein. The JP Hei '465 reference corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 5,602,675 (Okada), also cited herein. An English abstract for the JP Hei '465 reference obtained from a commercial database also is enclosed as an English-language statement of relevance for the Examiner's consideration.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications:

<u>APPLICATION NO.</u>	<u>FILING DATE</u>	<u>GROUP ART UNIT</u>
08/357,155 (allowed: Issue Fee paid May 7, 1999)	December 15, 1994	2851
08/563,750	November 29, 1995	2851
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08/965,531	November 6, 1997 (allowed: Issue Fee due August 6, 1999)	2851
09/025,027	February 18, 1998	2712

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), no copy of any cited U.S. Application is enclosed.

FEE STATEMENT

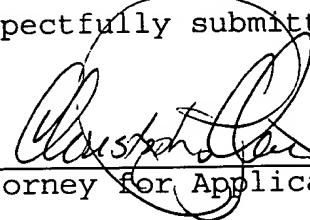
The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits in the present application. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is necessitated by the filing of the present paper. Nevertheless, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by the filing of the present paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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